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1. Reportedly, the Horia Sima and the Garneata factions of the Iron Guard are planning a reconciliation.
2. The reasons for this possible reconciliation are as follows:
  - a. Fear of further revelations in future volumes of Father Palaghita's (Garneata follower) book on the Iron Guard.
  - b. A means of preventing further harm by reconciling differences with the "opposition".
  - c. Fear that Viorel Trifa, as Bishop of the Romanian Orthodox Church in the United States and a reported follower of the Garneata faction, would deprive Sima of many followers.
3. Garneata has the following to gain from such a reconciliation:
  - a. He appears to have the intention of supplanting Sima step by step, undermining his authority and compromising him. Thus Garneata will be able to work more easily from within than from without.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment: Although not yet ordained, Viorel Trifa was elected Bishop of the Romanian Orthodox Church in the United States at a Church congress held in Chicago, Illinois on 3 May 1951.

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